

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the above-identified application, as amended, are requested.

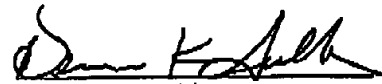
Claims 1 - 17 and 36 - 37 are cancelled.

The allowability of Claims 18 -21, 28 -33, 38 -41 and 48- 53, subject to being rewritten in independent form is noted. Consequently, Claims 18, 28, 38, and 48 have been rewritten in independent form herein. Additionally, claims 22, 25, 34, 42, 45, and 54 have been amended to be dependent on allowable claims.

Accordingly, it is submitted that all of the claims remaining in this application are allowable and that the application is therefore in condition for allowance, which allowance is solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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